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NEEDHAM WINS INTER-SOCIETY DEBATE.

Resolved, That the Panama Canal should be built by the contract system rather than by the United States Government directly.

The Needham men advanced the argument that the government methods of procedure and operation were not adapted to get the best and most economical results in constructive engineering work. They stated that the greater part of such work in the past, and practically all of it today, was being performed under the contract system; citing as examples the building of war vessels, dams, public buildings and the irrigation work which is being carried on in the West. They showed that it took more time and was more expensive for the Government to do its work than it was for the railroads and other large concerns engaged in similar operations. They further quoted former Chief Engineer Wallace, Chairman Shonts of the Canal Commission, Chief Engineer Stevens, Senator Morgan, and others as being thoroughly in favor of the contract system.

The Columbian team based their arguments largely upon the fact that the work thus far performed under the Government had been carried on in an excellent manner; that good progress was being made, and that the men now in charge of the undertaking are efficient and entirely capable of completing it. They were unable, however, to overcome the arguments of the affirmative, to whom the decision was given.

Honors were awarded to Messrs. John T. Kennedy and Elmer J. Lundy of the Needham, both being members of Law, '07.

In the absence of Hon. J. J. McCarty, who was unable to be present on account of illness, Chaplain Couden of the House of Representatives, served as judge; the other judges being Dean Vance and Capt. William P. Kent, Associate Editor of the *Arena*.

Each Society has won a debate this year, and the result of the series will be determined at the third debate which will be held about the first of May.

THE MALL CLASS EDITORS.

The Business Manager urges all class editors to push their collections of the class assessment of 20 cents for the representation in *The Mall*. Also to canvass the classes thoroughly for subscriptions to the Annual, as it is necessary to get these in in order to get an idea of how many books must be printed. Do this now.

CINCINNATI DEBATE.

The Cincinnati debate will soon be upon us, and the arrangements for financing this debate, which will cost approximately four hundred dollars, will be definitely fixed upon by the Intercollegiate Debating Council Thursday evening, March 15. Practically all the other arrangements for the debate have been completed. Our debaters are hard at work, and according to Dr. Veditz, who is coaching the team, the debate which our men will furnish on the evening of April 7 will be the best that has been done in this line for a long while. The Cincinnati team is said to be exceptionally strong, yet our debaters are looking forward to the contest without misgivings.

As recently decided upon, our men will speak in the following order: Whitmore, College '06, Cohen, Law '06, Couden, Law '08. Each speaker is allowed 15 minutes according to the rules adopted, and but one man will be allowed to speak in rebuttal, with a time allowance of 8 minutes. As this arrangement considerably reduces the total time allowance for rebuttal, it is probable that much rebuttal material will have to be presented in the main speeches.

The judges of the debate have already been selected and are now, for the first time, announced as follows: Secretary of the Navy Bonaparte, Professor Jacob Hollander, of Johns Hopkins University, and Congressman Charles Littlefield. Efforts are now being made to secure the services of a very prominent publicist as presiding officer. The debate will probably be held in one of our largest theatres, and will be made a social event of considerable importance.

COLUMBIAN-ENOSINIAN DEBATE.

Teams representing the Enosinian Society of the College and the Columbian Society of the Law School will meet in debate Friday evening, March 16, in University Hall. This will be the first contest between the two societies, and its result is looked forward to with interest. The Enosinian team is doing their utmost to make their first inter-society debate a victory, while the Columbian men, smarting under last Friday's defeat by Needham, have sworn to win or die in the attempt.

The question for debate is: "Resolved, that the protective tariff should be removed from articles whose production is controlled by trusts." Enosinian will support the

affirmative and will be represented by Messrs. Van Vleck, Block and Gates, while the speakers for Columbian will be Messrs. Agnew, Miller and Burnstine.

The speakers are all well known as efficient debaters. Mr. Van Vleck, of the Enosinian team represented the University in the debate with Washington and Lee last year. Mr. Block, while new to public debates, is a prominent member of the Enosinian and has just completed a term as president of the society. Mr. Gates spoke against Washington and Lee last year, and was also a member of the team which recently defeated Virginia. Mr. Marye is the alternate for Enosinian.

Mr. Agnew, of the Columbian, has already been victorious in one inter-society debate this year, the first debate with Needham. Mr. Miller was selected by the board of judges as a member of the team to debate Cincinnati, but was disabled by that institution because he is a graduate student. Mr. Burnstine has made an enviable name for himself through his successful work in the last Virginia debate. Mr. Stern, the alternate for Columbian, was a member of the Columbian team which defeated Needham earlier in the year.

Dean Vance of the Law School will preside at the debate. Messrs. Whitmore and Meyers will act as time-keepers. The same method of deciding the contest will be employed as in the recent Virginia debate. At the conclusion of the debate each judge, without consultation, will write his vote, place it in an envelope, seal it and hand to the presiding officer. The votes will be counted on the platform.

As is the usual custom, admission to the debate will be free and a large attendance is expected.

DELTA TAU DELTA DANCE.

Saturday evening, March 10, will long be remembered by the members of Delta Tau Delta as one of the most successful of Gamma Eta Chapter's "Ladies' Nights."

The songs of Miss Bethune, Miss Harnsbarger and Mr. Burrell, and the recitations of Miss Arnold were the fitting climax of so enjoyable an evening.

Delta Tau Delta is to be congratulated for the recent good work of her goat, as a result of which Mr. Phillips C. McDuffie, of North Carolina; Mr. Chas. A. Vansmith, of Minnesota; Mr. Harold Cutlar, of Iowa, and Mr. Karl M. Block, of this city, are now wearers of the Delta square.

THE MALL.

It is urged that those who have not had their pictures made yet will do so at once. This should have been attended to before this, but there are still a few seniors delaying to do this and preventing the closing up of the work for the senior classes. This is directed especially to the Medical and Law classes.

If there are still any clubs or organizations that want to get into the Annual, it must be attended to at once. See the Editor-in-Chief and let him know, or the space may be closed up and no provision made.

STATE CLUBS.

A plan has been started to organize State Clubs among the students of the University, so that those from the same state may come into closer touch with each other. The club will also have a representation in *The Mall*, with its pictures and roll of officers and members.

Already the Tarheel and Kentucky Clubs have organized. If others intend to apply for representation in *The Mall*, the editor should be notified at once.

ILLUSTRATIONS.

The Mall this year will be especially rich in catchy, excellent drawings, that in themselves will be worth the price of the book. Mr. S. T. Lorando has submitted a number of unusually fine drawings, especially cartoons of the professors. We predict that some day he will be as famous as the well-known Coffin, once a student of this University. Mr. W. M. Patterson has also submitted a number of especially good things, as has Mr. Clothier. It is safe to say that *The Mall* will surpass any other Annual in this respect.

BASEBALL.

With the excellent baseball schedule before us it is befitting that the team be the best that has ever represented the University. And if reputation and reports count for anything, there are enough good players in the University to make such a team. A number have already reported for practice and it is urged that others come out and do their best.

NOTICE, FRATERNITY MEN.

All students who belong to fraternities not represented in this University are requested to drop into THE HATCHET boxes slips with their name, address, and college of membership. This is desired for use in *The Mall*.

LAW NOTES.

Members of the Third Year class regret the unavoidable absence of Prof. Scott, caused by serious throat trouble, and they hope that he will soon be able to resume his course of lectures in Equity Jurisprudence.

Prof. Scott's first appearances made an excellent impression on the Seniors, and they, as well as other students who have listened to the new Professor, are glad to have such an able man added to the Law Faculty.

When the Second Year class welcomed Prof. Clephane a short time ago it seemed that the class had met an old friend. Prof. Clephane has done so much for the Law Department, and is so well adapted to the work he is carrying on that he has already won the respect and the good will of the class of Naught Seven.

The Freshman class is well started on second semester work. Prof. Peele, recently appointed Chief Justice, U. S. Court of Claims, has won the esteem of the first year men, and they appreciate his exceptional ability as an instructor. Prof. Lorenzen, another Professor who is meeting the '08 class for the first time, has also created a very favorable impression. So much can't be said of his subject, "Negotiable Instruments." The class is fortunate in having such a competent instructor to deal with such a difficult subject.

The majority of the first year men have been successful in the three subjects they have heard from; they all feel confident of passing "Domestic Relations," but await the results of "Contracts" with fear and trembling.

Members of the Third Year class are anticipating a big banquet, or some such celebration, to take place either immediately before or after their commencement exercises. Nothing definite has yet been decided upon, but every Senior is looking forward to one big "feed" before the old '06 class breaks up and its members go out to seek their destinies.

The Second Year Law class occupies an enviable position in all branches of student activity. Three of its members have taken part in each of the two inter-society debates held this year, two of whom, Messrs. Kennedy and Lundy, have won honors. In Athletics, '07 is

also well represented,—on the football team by Steenerson, our popular captain, Morris, the greatest ground gainer, and Babcock, who played a plucky game behind the line; on the baseball team by Thomas, the crack twirler, and on the track team by Babcock, who distinguished himself in the recent relay wherein the University of Virginia went down to defeat. Mr. R. I. Moore, Editor-in-Chief of *The Mall* and of *THE HATCHET*, also hails from this class.

Pop. Lundy has evidently been studying the Bible. We won't insinuate that he needs this kind of training, but keep it up, Lundy, Prof. Vance tells us "as long as there's life there's hope."

It has been suggested that '07 Law organize a baseball team. A majority of players on the freshman team last year were from this class. In addition to these men there is said to be varsity material in the Second Year class. This is the proper class spirit, and if other classes can put out teams some good contests might be looked forward to this spring.

Politics now occupy the attention of all law students interested in the Needham Debating Society.

The annual election of officers for the Needham Society will take place Friday evening. A strong political enmity has grown up between Messrs. M. W. Patterson and J. A. Smith, rival candidates for the presidency, and between the two factions which follow their respective leaders. Not only are the effects of this campaign being felt among the '08 men, who are playing their first hand, but even our dignified seniors are interested in the outcome.

Mr. Levi Cooke, Law, '06, *The Mall* class editor, deserves the everlasting thanks of his class for the able manner in which he has performed the duties of that office. Occupying it unwillingly and knowing the work it entails, he has performed the work promptly and well, and will have a worthy representation of '06 in *The Mall*.

'07 challenges any university to show a better course than it is getting now under its excellent corps of professors, Vance in Contracts, Peter in Evidence, Scott in Equity, Clephane in Equity, Pleading and Practice, and Vance in Real Property. Of course, it means work, but that's what we are here for.

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Professor Scott still continues to grow in favor, and his students can only imagine what he must have been when in possession of those "silvery notes" he spoke of.

The class editors are now busy taking subscriptions for *The Mall*, and the Law Department, as usual, is doing its part in this, too. Subscriptions are coming in as if the students knew what a good book the Annual is to be this year.

The Lawyers are anxious for the track and field meet, where they will show those medics a thing or two, and also have one or two "statutes" passed before the event.

In looking over the Bulletin one is struck with the increasing number of students with degrees from other colleges. This is a healthy sign.

ATTENTION, FRESHMEN. "Private Corporations."

To all First Year Law men who wish to escape next year the awful fate of the many who flunked in Private Corporations this year, the following questions, if carefully studied during vacation, are guaranteed to give perfect mastery of the subject:

1. A deceased corporation devised certain personal property; M, a dissenting shareholder, attacks on the ground of Nul Tiel corporation, will the doctrine of Estoppel apply?

2. B, a corporation for the manufacture of Bock Beer, becomes defunct, can the Police Powers of the Courts be invoked to appoint a Receiver, on the ground that the

peace, happiness and comfort of citizens required the continuance of the corporation?

3. Is a *Pooling Agreement* between T, a Bank, and Q, a maker of Billiard Tables, valid under the English Rule?

4. The S. U. K. R. S. Co., incorporated for the manufacture of sprinkling cans, issues five million dollars in *Watered Stock*, then changes its business to the making of *Balloons*, marketing ten millions of *Inflated Bonds*; the company then goes up in the Air.—Discuss the effect of a *Damanus* proceeding by *Investors*.

5. UR and EZ, Directors of a New Jersey corporation, off in the still night suddenly change their domiciles to Canada. Will *Diversity of Citizenship* bar an application of the *Trust Fund Theory*?

6. Mr. Soft and Mr. Cinch, promoters, purchase an iron foundry for \$500, conveying same to the Y Company, organized for the making of *Life Preservers*, receiving therefor \$50,000 in *Floating Stock*, should the purchase money be returned from the *Sinking Fund* of the corporation?

7. A corporation receives a grant of land in *Female Tail Special*, discuss fully whether an action to *Restrain Waste* will lie by one of the *Female heirs*?

(Note:—The mere answer, "Of Course-it does" will not be sufficient.) A. C.

Prof. Clephane (to Advanced Procedure class): "Now, gentlemen, if a client should come into your office and desire to make a will, what is the first thing you would do in preparing it?"

Swingle (sotto voce, in rear of room): "Ask him to come back next day, then find a lawyer."

Furbeshaw (on hurricane deck, en route to Marshall Hall, ecstatically): "Darling, do you realize what love means to me? It is my life, the very air I would breathe, my only nourishment and food."

She (ingeniously): "Do you wish me to feed you with a spoon?"

TARHEEL CLUB SMOKER.

The initial smoker of the Tarheel Club was given at the Delta Tau Delta house on Thursday evening, March 8, and proved a most enjoyable affair.

The business of the evening was enthusiastically disposed of, after which songs and yells rent the air. Refreshments were served at 11 o'clock.

Every North Carolinian present vied with every other to establish his right to claim as his home "the best town in the state," and to his own satisfaction, at least, was successful in his efforts.

The Club intends to hold regular meetings every month during the college year.

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The Editor asks the indulgence of the readers of this paper for the delay and total failure to receive the issues—an irregularity that is as incomprehensible and mysterious to him as to any one else. His work being done when the "dummy" is put into the hands of the printer, the interval between then and the appearance of the paper is sometimes so long that he wonders if he will ever see it again. We can but hope and trust that things will mend themselves.

As soon as plans for the method of selecting the students who are to have control of THE UNIVERSITY HATCHET each succeeding year are perfected, they will be published and made known to the students of the University. The plans adopted will be based on the merit system,

those students winning the places who have shown themselves most capable. Meanwhile, as during the present year, no system at all has been announced, those who have been helping to carry on the work of the paper will receive fitting consideration when the time comes to select the staff for next year.

Any student in the University is invited to contribute items of news and whatever plan may be decided upon those will be favored who have shown an aptness in newspaper work.

GEORGE YOST COFFIN, A DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS CARTOONIST.

We are always glad to follow the careers of our alumni and read of their successes. To know that one, even though we have never seen him, is an alumnus of the University gives us an added interest in him. We give below part of an article appearing in the Post concerning George Yost Coffin, one we are proud to claim as an alumnus. It is noticed that he was a contributor to the original "Washington HATCHET."

In a few days the famous cartoons of the late George Yost Coffin, prominent in Washington newspaper affairs, will be on exhibition in the Division of Prints in the Congressional Library. There are about 400 of them, depicting the most important events of public life in Washington and abroad, besides containing satirical topics, which won for Mr. Coffin fame as a cartoonist. He was at one time cartoonist for The Post, and his pictures, full of humor, attracted wide attention.

He originated "The Post Gallery of Masterpieces of Modern Paintings," which were political parodies of famous paintings. They have made a big hit both among art lovers and politicians.

Among them are "The Helping Hand," "The Vestal Tuccia," "The Sacred Bull," and "William the Testy," all now in the Corcoran Art Gallery; "Jerome's Police Verso" and Watt's much-discussed painting, "Love and Life," as well as the great mural painting, "Westward Ho," in the Capitol.

These drawings were bequeathed by the author to Miss Isabelle Solomons, of 1205 K street. She retained them until recently when she conceived the idea of exhibiting them in the Congressional Library. They represent many years of work.

Shortly after Mr. Coffin's death, which occurred November 26, 1896, a bronze bust was ordered by his aunt, Mrs. Yost, and placed in the Corcoran Art Gallery.

The display is full of interest, for his ideas were so popular, not only in Washington, where his efforts were more fully appreciated than anywhere else, but in other cities where his pictures were widely copied. Mr. Coffin often quoted "A drop of ink will make a million think." His work accordingly, was designed to catch the casual eye of the reader of the daily paper. They were editorials, done pictorially, and were eagerly scanned by the readers of the paper.

In the exhibition are pictures which caused a great deal of comment at the time of their publication, all humorous. Mr. Coffin's ready wit, and his broad knowledge of things, made him especially clever as a cartoonist. The local color in his work showed his intimate knowledge of the city its customs and characters. He lived here nearly all his life.

He began to draw at an early age. He remarked on one occasion that he did not remember the time when he first began to draw, but preferred to date it from the time he began to draw his salary. His favorite pastime, while he was a student at the Columbian University, now George Washington, was sketching, and while occupying a room in the old building, he elaborately frescoed the walls and ceiling with scenes from Shakespeare. When the rooms were all repainted, this room was left untouched until the building was torn down. While attending the Law School he was made tutor of art in the University.

As a cartoonist, Mr. Coffin began work with the first illustrated paper in Washington, the old Chronicle. It was a weekly paper, fashioned somewhat after Harper's. His first attempt was a double-page illustration of the Martha Washington tea party in the rotunda of the Capitol. The rotunda was clearly brought out from the floor to the dome, including the familiar historic paintings on the walls. Then he undertook to make three cartoons a week for the paper.

After the suspension of the Chronicle he contributed to Puck, Judge, Harper's and other illustrated papers, until the Washington Hatchet was started, when he was again enrolled as a cartoonist. The Hatchet printed many good illustrations from his pen during its brief existence. Some time afterward he was engaged as cartoonist for The Post.

In none of Mr. Coffin's cartoons is there the slightest offense. His likenesses were remarkable.

Mr. Coffin won fame also as an illustrator of books, among them being Sunset Cox's "Diversions of a Diplomat," A. C. Buell's "Story of a Cannoneer," Col. Hinman's "Si Klegg and His Pard," the latter especially well known among Grand Army men.

In addition to his other attainments he was a good writer, and often "filled in" on the reportorial staff when news was abundant. As a dramatic critic he was excellent, and served in this capacity on The Post.

The last days of Mr. Coffin's life were spent pleasantly at work in his apartments at the Garfield, Thirteenth and I streets. Although too weak to be at his desk, he made the cartoons in his room and sent them to The Post.

When he died Washington was shocked. His pictures had become a part of the lives of Washingtonians, who deplored his death deeply. He had been ill for several months suffering from locomotor ataxia, but was not confined to his bed. The announcement in the papers of his illness caused hundreds

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PI BETA PHI.

Miss Arrdman, of Barnard College, was the guest of Columbia Alpha Chapter of Pi Beta Phi for a few days the past week.

The regular monthly Alumnae meeting of the Pi Beta Phi Fraternity met at the home of Mrs. Howard L. Hodgkins, one of its patronesses, Tuesday evening, March 6th. The address of the evening was given by Miss Ida A. Green, Secretary of the Associated Charities of the City, on the need of compulsory education in the District. She presented a strong plea in its favor, arousing great interest among those present. Refreshments were served, after which a pleasant social hour followed.

ELECTION NEEDHAM DEBATING SOCIETY.

On Friday, March 16, 1906, the Needham Debating Society will elect its officers for the ensuing half year. Inasmuch as the future welfare of the Society depends in a

large measure upon the judicious selection of men to fill the vacated offices, every member is urged to be present and participate in the election.

Owing to the Columbian-Enosinian debate in University Hall, the meeting will be held in Jurisprudence Hall promptly at 8 p. m.

The members of the Society are much encouraged by their victory over the Columbian Society last Friday and will no doubt prepare for the remaining inter-society contests with renewed vigor and increased enthusiasm.

ENOSINIAN SOCIETY.

The regular bi-weekly meeting of the Enosinian Debating Society was held Friday evening, March 9. The debate was on the question, "Resolved, That the canteen should be restored to the army." Messrs. Van Vleck and Singleton upheld the affirmative and Block and Lamb defended the negative. The affirmative presented a strong case, but one of the speakers seemed to think that it was the Columbian-Enosinian debate and insisted on bringing in the protective tariff on trust-made products. The judges awarded the decision to the negative by a unanimous vote. The vote of the society, however, was unanimously in favor of the affirmative and the society defended this decision in a very able and witty speech. Mr. Hubbard was the "society," being the only member present eligible to vote on this question.

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A rumor is afloat that hereafter, beginning with the present junior class, the seniors will have to give up their positions and devote their entire time to medical work.

A stout gentleman of THE HATCHET Class, recently elected President of the George Washington University Somnolence Society, caused much merriment in one of Professor King's lectures several days ago by visiting the arms of Morpheus during the course of the lecture.

Doctor King paused long enough to shout "Wake him up" and to tell the gentleman the subject he was lecturing on.

The interesting part of the affair was that most of the fellows were so near "The Land of Nod" that each one thought that Doctor King referred to him.

The gentlemen who have demonstrated their eligibility to membership in this society, by their excellent work along this line during surgery lectures, should send in their applications for membership to the President of the Society.

That was rather a personal question Doctor Miller asked Chapman of THE HATCHET Class in quiz last Thursday, and out of justice to the gentleman we would have it known that modesty forbade him answering correctly.

We have at last discovered that heretofore concealed power which enables the medical student to work day and night and then some on Sunday. You will all agree that the refining influences of association with the fair sex stimulates most of us to better things.

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SOPHOMORE CLASS.

Brown is a heavy body and ordinarily moves slowly, but just at present it wouldn't be wise to rub up against him 'cause he might make some very energetic passes—you see he's been vaccinated.

Mr. Avery has been absent from several Pathology lectures lately. Wonder why?

Word was passed around the other day that our friend Sherwood had lopped off his curly locks. He has been loath for several months to do this because those locks enhance Sherwood's beauty considerably, and you know, he likes the ladies pretty well.

Mr. Taylor told Dr. McArdle the other day that one of the contents of a surgical bag was a bunch of ligaments. We think he probably meant ligatures, but thought we would speak about it in order to prove that we see everything that is going on.

Of course Mr. Wolfe (J. T.) has to leave the Materia Medica lectures early—perhaps that's the reason he made tracks so rapidly when the Doctor came to his name on the roll in quiz. It was too bad too, because the Doctor had picked out such an easy question, so he said.

A goodly number of the class might have been seen at Harris & Ewing's getting their faces "struck off" last Sunday morning. There were several group pictures taken there of Fraternities in the University, which are honored by a large number of members from the Sophomore class.

We are glad that the Physiology quizzes will be continued even though they will not count. The hours on Monday evenings are well spent there indeed and we feel indebted to the Doctor for continuing them.

Mr. Walsh tells us that he very busy studying these days. Ahem!

Mr. Avery was being coddled in the arms of Morpheus but a short time since in the Physiology class when he was rudely awakened by something which jarred on his inner consciousness. That something was the words "touch corpuscles." These were new things to our bewhiskered friend, who, although he is said to be a past master in the art of "touch," hadn't heard of them.

By the way, Cupid has been getting busy in the class and we hear rumors that one if not more of our number will enter the united state in the merry month of June.

It is reported, as we are going to press, that Ong is no relation to the Chinaman by that name. This clears up a very grave doubt in our minds.

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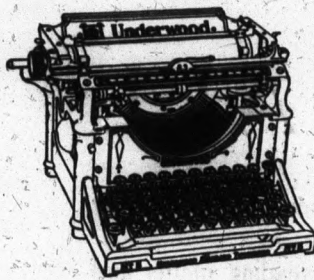
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FRESHMAN NOTES.

Eldridge: Don't you recall the times back on the farm when the sun kissed the dewy grass of morn, at night the lowing herd came tinkling in from the pasture?

Willis: Sure; and I recall that I went down to the barn long before the sun had kiss anything, and that when the lowing herd was not carressing my face with a damp tail they were putting their feet in the milk pail. Do you mean to tell me you are from the country?

Candor forced Eldridge to confess that he had merely read about it.

The freshmen had an impromptu meet last Tuesday morning at Van Ness park. Racing was the main feature; Chappel, Wood, Pierce and Pole participating in the hundred yard dashes.

The Freshman Class, together with the Board of Lady Managers, have made arrangements for a most entertaining evening at the Arlington Hotel, April 17. There will be three bouts by the noted fencers Micheloni, Breckinridge and Darlough. Following the fencing there will be three musical numbers by well-known local talent. The rest of the evening will be devoted to dancing, from 9 to 12.

Tickets, including everything, can be obtained from the freshmen for 50 cents. The proceeds are to be given to the hospital.

New cadavers were brought into the dissecting room Monday.

Messrs. Fair, French, Fearing, Eldridge, Wood and Pole, upon the invitation of Mr. Asbell, attended a dance of the Yomo Club last Wednesday evening at Mrs. Dyers. The boys report a delightful time.

At the class meeting Saturday, the floor committee for the ball to be given at the Arlington, April 17, was named as follows: Willis, Brooks, Wood, McKnight, Sorenson, Collins and Asbell.

DENTAL.

The classes have been busy these days haunting the photograph galleries to have pictures taken for *The Mall*. The senior men will be given individual pictures, together with a "write-up," and the junior and freshmen classes will be grouped with their class "write-up." *The Mall* promises to be a very much improved number this time. There will, of course, be men who have a kick coming about this book, when it does come out, but the dental editor on *The Mall* board has done his level best, under adverse conditions, and has tried to overlook no one.

Dr. Trevett, assistant demonstrator in the infirmary, recently brought his somnoforme outfit along with him and administered the anaesthetic to two extraction cases in one afternoon. Both patients took the anaesthetic well and declared on recovering consciousness that they had been tricked and that no operation had been performed.

Evidences were unmistakable, however, and they were forced to admit that it was a great thing.

A member of the senior class was recently working on a patient who had brought her two sisters along, after the manner of women-folk when they visit the dentist. The sisters were much interested in the engine and one spied the symbol of the S. S. White Company on the foot piece. "The doctor is so anxious to get money," said one, "that he has dollar marks on his machinery." The student had not noticed this resemblance before, but considered it a most happy simile, having spent many hard earned simoleons into the coffers of this same dental trust, whose monogram so closely resembled the dollar signs.

PSI OMEGA.

Dr. Allan S. Wolf, demonstrator to the junior class in prosthetic technics, gave the Psi Omega fraternity an informal talk recently on the subject of obtunding sensitive dentine, and submitted gracefully to much cross-examination on the subject. Afterward the cook rendered a modest menu.

PSI OMEGA DANCE.

Invitations have been issued for an approaching dance to be given by the Psi Omega fraternity at Mrs. Dyers.

THE RICHARD HEINZEL LIBRARY.

The George Washington University has been fortunate in securing by purchase the valuable Germanic library of the late Professor Richard Heinzl of the University of Vienna. The library contains about 7,200 volumes and pamphlets, many of which are rare even in Europe, while copies of many others do not exist in this country. It contains a large number of works and periodicals not only in Germanic philology and literature, but also in the cognate linguistic branches, especially Anglo-Saxon, old English, the Romance languages, the Slavica, dealing preeminently with the Slavic races in Austria Hungary. It is hoped that the existence of this unique library in the University in the National Capital will give a still stronger stimulus to Germanic scholarship. The acquirement of the library by the George Washington University is due largely to the generosity of Mr. Christian Heurich.

WOMAN'S LEAGUE.

A special meeting of the Woman's League is called for Wednesday evening, March 14, in West Hall. Many important matters will be discussed and at least a hundred girls should be present.

The Fudge party given by the Woman's League in the Physical Laboratories last Friday evening was a great success. That the quality of the candy could not be excelled was the judgment of the large number of girls who participated both in the making and the eating. The festivities were concluded by the usual dance in the library.



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UNIVERSITY CONGRESS.

The Congress assembled in regular session at 8 p. m. Saturday, the 10th, and took up for discussion House Bill No. 44, which reads, "Be it enacted, etc., that the Territories of Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona be admitted to the membership of States, thus adding three new States to the Union." Bill presented by Mr. Ramsay, of Illinois. Mr. Ramsay not being present, by request Mr. Graves modestly consented to open for the affirmative, and the way he laid down the law and stated reasons for the passage of the bill there seemed hardly an opening for the negative to break through. Mr. Harralson, of Georgia, followed for the negative, and delivered such a fund of information regarding the actual conditions from the side of the Territories, as well as to that of the Union, that there was difficulty to decide which should prevail.

In the course of general discussion Mr. Barrett, of the District, offered to amend by adding Indian Territory to Oklahoma. On the quiet it was suggested that such amendment might deprive Congress from hearing a "gush of hot air" from one of the members and a "bunch of thunder" from another, and it was promptly voted down. Both duly arrived, no names need be mentioned. The question being placed on its final passage was lost by a tie vote.

House Bill No. 45 was made special order for Saturday, March 17, and reads, "Be it enacted, etc., that on and after the passage of this bill the Interstate Commerce Commission shall have the power and shall investigate of their own volition, or on complaint of any person



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The speakers for the affirmative will be Mr. Graves, of Missouri, and Mr. Fravel, of Virginia; for the negative Mr. Christensen, of Utah, and Mr. Barrett, of the District.

It is an interesting bill at this time and as many as can should be present to participate in the general discussion.

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